oom for a Former Honesdaler-hy J. Benjamin Dimmick Should and Maybe the Lucky Man.

Last Friday's Scranton Tribune dewhirlwind boom for a conspicuous apmayor of that city. It hails him at the ontset as "Minister Dimmick," and then, in a breezy, way gives us the paper's reasons for regarding it as a "best bet" that President-elect Taft ought to and will make him United States Minister to Switzerland when he comes into his kingdom.

The Tribune boils the proposition down as follows for a beginning: "J. Benjamin Dimmick, minister to

It is in the cards; it may, with the advent of the Taft administration, be on the cards-Mayor Dimmick's-and,

esides, it looks good.
What is the basis of the hypothesis? Well, let's see. It takes some figuring. It's quite a story. Let's put it this

First, the mayor likes Switzerland. That's a beginning.
Second, the mayor knows Mr. Taftknows him well. But, better still:
Third, Mr. Taft knows Mayor Dim-

mick-knows him well.

Fourth, Mayor Dimmick ought to get

what he wants, because:

Fifth, Mayor Dimmick is worthy of
what he wants.

And there it is in tabloid.

After this bit of logic, the Tribune tells us how Mayor Dimmick has already been proposed for Senator to succeed Penrose; how he journeyed to boom-busters, and caused the "smug and complacent non-partisan reformers" te sit up and take notice; how he called on Governor Stuart and outlined the legislation he desired him to recommend in the interests of the Anthracite region in his next message; how he impressed his views as to a required revision of the school laws on the honest leaders of how his name was mentioned by the New York Sun as a guest of the recent Psi Upsilon dinner in the Metropolis, between those of such distinguished people as Rev. C. B. Smith and Chester N. Fair, Jr., in connection with which event he is alluded to as "the coal baron

of Scranton." The article closes as follows:

Mayor Dimmick is a graduate of Yale; his brother who died, was a classmate of the next president, who will have the doling out of the honors. Also, the mayor himself can shake hands with President Taft and need not say :

You remember me?" They are friends. Lastly, Switzerland is The Place; the n ayor has been there, spent a Summer there and fell in love with the country. He is actually a "Swiss-American." his speeches have frequently shown, an enthusiast, a learned, diplomatic, polished, scholarly, capable man. Of course, we don't know that the mayor wants to go to Switzerland, or that Mr. Tait wants him to go to Switzerland. Maybe he would rather be governor. But it's in the cards. And there you are.

A Home Industry.

income, without going to any great out- off virulent typhold germs, a pound unpeeled, or seven cents a pasteurization would kill the germs. pound peeled. The rate of production is about 2,500 pounds of rods to the acre, and the willow requires little labor against unclean lunch rooms and lodgeither in cultivating or gathering.

The Department of Agriculture at Washington has prepared a booklet on the subject, which will be sent out to that a crusade against the violators of inquirers, and not only this, they will the regulation which requires all perfurnish in the spring, cuttings from the sons conducting laundry establish best varieties of basket willows free to ments at their homes to register with those who desire to establish what are the department will be started. known as "holts," that is, willow plan-

supply does not meet the full demand, as may be seen from the fact that only lately a dealer in Chicago advertised in healt! office and obtained permits to German papers for one million willow conduct such a business. clothes baskets. The home grown rods are equal to the imported ones, and unthe yield of succeeding years is much greater. There are a dozen or more varieties of willows which grow sucesfully in this country, and all of them are available in the basket work.

The weaving itself is pleasant work, light and clean, and can be made profitable even if engaged in but a portion

THE Harrisburg Telegraph says :-"There is increasing sentiment throughout the state in the proposition to establish a permanent State fair. The ter the people understand the importance of agriculture in Pennsylvania. It is believed that such an exposition will revive interest in the farmer and send ticed off the mouth of Potomac creek, back to the depopulated country districts many of the young men who have that wild geese come to the Potomac sought more rapid advancement in crowded industrial centers.

Suit department will convince buyers of be plentiful with the coming of cold the style and cloth qualities of their weather. CARL SCHOFIELD. season's suits. Perti

[Special Correspondence.]

Many Americans, possibly a number

of Washingtonians, will be surprised to learn that in the national capital, often called "the city beautiful" and votes in the neighborhood of a column declared to surpass the capitals of Euand a half of its valuable space to a rope, there are within a few blocks of White House, beautifully trim in pointment of J. Benjamin Dimmick, the Its immediate surroundings, large areas where rubbish, filth and tangled masses of wild brush growth abound.

To many visitors to Washington it would be hardly believable to think that almost within a stone's throw of the spotlessly clean White House there are big piles of ashes and trash, a wide area of sluggish marsh land and a matted wilderness of trees and scrub undergrowth. Yet this is the fact.

Ugly Spots In Capital. "Although a hundred years have built, although civic improvement societies have been hard at work in their cation of our American cities and although the national capital has had handsome improvements made in some directions as far away as five miles from the White House," said a well known official the other day, "yet off to the southwest, just beyond the site where the palatial home of the bureau of American republics is fising in the air, there are views which for unsightliness would be hard to surpass.

Great Piles of Rubbish. "Great piles of old water pipe, old wagons and long piles of manure add their unsightliness to the neighborhood.

"If there is any part of the District which should be kept handsome not merely for the sake of cleanliness it-Philadelphia, invaded the lair of the self and the health of the citizens of the District, but more especially for the sake of creating with foreigners and other visitors a favorable impres sion of America's great capital, it is that section of the city within a short radius of the White House."

Senator Smith's New Home Senator William Alden Smith of Michigan has had the old property which he purchased a few months ago Philadelphia sentiment; how he figured at the northwest corner of Sixteenth in the cave-in campaign, and finally and L streets northwest remodeled so extensively that it looks like an entirely new bouse.

The entrance hall extends across the front of the house on the basement floor, back of which is a large stair hall, with broad stairs leading to the main floor. Across the front of the main floor is a spacious drawing room, finished in elaborate decorative plas-

ter work. The dining room, on this floor, back of the central stair hall, is finished in mahogany, the paneled wainscoting reaching almost to the celling, which is beamed in mahogany. The library. which is immediately back of the central stair hall on the basement floor. is to be finished in oak,

To Pasteurize Milk Supply. In view of the definite tracing of the outbreak of typhoid fever in Georgetown to the owner of a dairy farm. the health officers of the District of Columbia and of the federal government have renewed their efforts to have all milk pasteurized, so as to make it safe for use as food.

In the case of Georgetown it was found that the germs of the disease were conveyed to the milk by a wom-An industry by which the woman liv- an who had typhold fever eighteen ing in the country can add to the family years ago and whose body still gives

lay of capital, is the weaving of willow baskets. If in addition the willow wands was established that at least 2 per can be raised on the farm, she is able cent of the recovered cases of typhoid to provide another source of income, were bacilli carriers for a longer or since there is a ready sale for the willow shorter period and that if they hanat the rate of one and one quarter cents dled milk they would infect it, but

> Laundry War Planned. The war which has been waged ing houses by the District health office for the last several months is to be turned in a new direction. Announce ment has been made by the officials

The law was framed some weeks ago and is now in effect. It is esti-There are 160 manufacturers of wil- mated that 10,000 persons in the Dislow-ware in this country, but still the trict each week take to their homes soiled linen, which is washed, froned and returned to the owners. Only 135 of these have registered with the

Buds to Dance. All society knows in respect of Ethel like most plantations, the holts yield a Roosevelt's coming out is that she will profit the first year, although of course be presented to it on Dec. 28 at a little dance which is to be one of the most exclusive affairs of the season. Few married folk will be present, the exceptions, outside the parents of the debutante, being Admiral and Mrs. Cowles, the Douglas Robinsons of New York and Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. Almost all the invitations are to be restricted to the season's buds, a few of last winter and several close friends of the president's daughters who have been out two or more years.

Wild Geese on the Potomac. Several flocks of wild geese have been seen on the river by the officers more this subject is discussed the bet- of the Washington and Potomac line in an address recently sounded a but he preferred to stay in his place steamer Wakefield recently. One flock of about a dozen was seen near Cedar Point and a still larger flock was no

The hunters say that it is seldom so early, and the indications point to a good season this winter. Wild ducks are also reported to be more numer-A visit to MENNER & Co's Clonk and ous, and it is thought they will also

WASHINGTON LETTER CHOICE MISCELLANY

Man Six Thousand Years Age. At a recent meeting of scientists in Dublin Professor G. Elliott Smith, the Egyptologist, said that the earliest known human remains found in the Nile valley when compared with those of later times demonstrated the fact New Material May Include Secretary Lock. that at a very remote period Egypt and Nubia were inhabited by the same race, which had persisted in Egypt with little or no change in physical characteristics throughout the intervening 6,000 years until the present day. They had been and still were a small people, the average beight of the men being about five feet three inches at every period of their history.

Their bair was very dark brown or black, usually wavy, but not "woolly" or in any sense negroid. Their heads were long and narrow, usually ovoid rolled by since the White House was or pentagonoid or "coffin shaped," as the result of a frequent presence of a protuberant occiput. On the whole efforts to bring reform in the beautifi- they shared those characteristics which distinguished the majority of the p. > ples fringing the Mediterranean.

As would be expected in a group of people that had lived from the dawn of history on the fringe of the negro territory, there was some slight evidence of an infusion of black blood, but this was very small in amount.

Science In the Upper Air.

the fact that if you get high enough in the air the north pole is warmer than the equator.

to be a fact by means of balloon ascensions made under the auspices of the international committee which has been investigating the atmosphere at varying altitudes. Unmanned balloons with recording instruments attached were sent up, reaching altitudes of ten to twelve miles.

beight was 148 degrees below zero, ward a return to private life and conwhile in middle Europe and farther north at the same height the instra- practice as a lawyer. Then, again, ments only recorded 56 to 85 degrees below zero.

Another theory beretofore accepted found that the atmosphere becomes warmer.-Scrap Book.

As to Mr. Maugham.

They were discussing the proper pronunciation of the name of W. Somerset Maugham, the new English dramatist. "That name is pronounced 'Mawm."

declared one who had been in London. "No, it's surely 'Mawum,' " opined somebody else.

"'Mahm' is better," declared au-"Why not 'Muggum?" said one who

inclined to the facetious. And they grew quite heated about it. Why, of course it's 'Mawm!'

"Rats! It's 'Mawum!"

"No! 'Mahm!' " " 'Muggum' by all means!" Until finally one who had done nothing so far but show signs of growing impatience and ennul suddenly brought

his fist down on the table. "'Mum's' the word!" he shouted. That ended the discussion. - New York Times.

The Best Dressed Man.

tailor. ness his clothes are unique.

boots, the fit and height of his collar, prestige as a diplomat, the knotting of his tie, the cut of his thing is right and makes a rule that conclusion that Frank H. Hitchcock the world goes by,

-Cincinnati Enquirer.

selves and the Americans will certain-

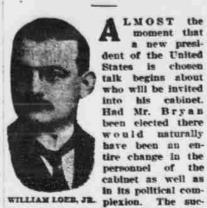
Changing Australian Speech.

Extravagance In Coal. the London Central Technical college ably have had cabinet honors before warning against the wasteful methods us the president's right hand man, now in use in connection with the con- Mr. Roosevelt considers him invaluasumption of coal. provoked," he said, "by the fact that dent's opinion as to Mr. Loeb's excepthe Mauretania need feeding daily tary has had the opportunity several with some thousand or more tons of times to take business positions offercoal apiece on their voyages across the ing much greater financial induce-Atlantic. Such extravagance is glo-ments than his present post, but has

schemes.-Sydney (N. S. W.) Mail.

Timber For **Next Cabinet.**

Choirman Bitchcock and Frank B. Kellogg - Root and the State Department.



Had Mr. Bryan been elected there would naturally have been an entire change in the personnel of the cabinet as well as in its political com-WILLIAM LOEB, JR. plexion. The suc-

cess of Judge Taft means that no such radical change need be expected. The president elect will probably retain some of Mr. Roosevelt's official advisers, at least for a time.

It is generally believed that the head Still another of science's unsolved of the cabinet, Secretary Elibu Root problems has been brought to light— of the state department, can remain in this place under the next president if be so desires. He and Judge Taft have always been on the best of terms, and Professor Hergesell of Strassburg uni- the president elect has a high opiniou versity claims that he has proved this of the abilities of Mr. Root as a diplomat. He is credited with the belief that Mr. Root would make the foreign policy of the government a conspicuously successful feature of his administration, especially in the cultivation of closer relations with South American countries, a matter deemed of much importance by Judge Taft. But In the tropics the temperature at this Mr. Root is understood to incline totinuation of his formerly remunerative lithium, mercury, arsenic and other there is the New York senatorship, which may be pressed upon him. Mr. Root has let it be understood that he by scientists, but which now has been would not make any canvass for contradicted, is that the temperature Thomas C. Platt's seat in the senate. diminishes as the height increases, but many of his friends think he The balloon ascensions are said to have would take it if the legislature could shown that the coldest temperature is not agree upon any of the less conreached at heights of six to seven spicuous men who are seeking the post Above that beight it has been and should turn to him for aid in the



FRANK B. KULLOGG.

senatorship or if he should retire from "The best dressed man in the world public life it is considered likely that is the young king of Spain," said a Whitelaw Reid, now ambassador at "Look at his photographs in the court of St. James, would be inthe weeklies. For grace and correct- vited to the vacant cabinet seat. Mr. Reid's successes as American repre-"Everything is right in this young sentative at several of the leading Euman's getup. His hair, his hat, his ropean courts have given him much

Whatever other changes there may coat, the hang of his trousers-every- be, it is regarded as almost a foregone will be invited into Judge Taft's cabi-"King Edward for fifteen years has not. The post he would be most likely been hopelessly out of it as an arbiter to take is that of postmaster general, of fashion. The Prince of Wales, lit- now held by George von L. Meyer. tle and inelegant, had never any in- Mr. Hitchcock was first assistant postfinence. King Alfonso fills a long felt master general before he undertook want. Indeed, before he grew up the the management of Judge Taft's canworld was paradoxically saying that cass for the presidential nomination, the only well dressed man was Miss His success in this work made him the Vesta Tilley, the male impersonator." logical man for running the campaign for Judge Taft's election. As for Mr. Meyer, it is predicted that be will sucreed George B. Cortelyou as secretary The rapprochement between our of the treasury.

Another new figure in the cabinet of ly have one effect. We shall find our President Taft besides Mr. Hitchcock language enriched by new words and will probably be Frank B. Kellogg of our pronunciation of old words under- Minnesota, who is slated to succeed to go revision. Already our speech is Charles J, Bonaparte's shoes as attorleaving our chest and mounting to our ney general. As an assistant attorney head, and in a little while we'll be general engaged in the prosecution of able to do most of our talking with sults against trusts Mr. Kellogg has our lips closed as well as the most made an especially brilliant record. facile visitors from Vermont. "Say!" and Judge Taft is understood to feel is established as an arrestive, and we that he would strengthen his adminisare beginning to "guess" with the best tration greatly by having an aggresof them. For awhile the American sive "trust buster" like Mr. Kellogg accent is bound to have as great a in charge of the legal affairs of the vogue in conversation as have the government during a period which will stars and stripes in decorative be crowded with important actions against big industrial combinations.

Another new member will probably be William Loeb, Jr., secretary to Pres-Professor Henry E. Armstrong of ident Roosevelt, Mr. Loeb could prob-"No comment is tile, and Judge Taft shares the presiocean giants such as the Lusitania and tional executive qualities. The secre ried in as a great engineering achieve- declined them to stay by the president. ment and not anothematized as it it is believed that he will succeed Vicshould be if we were in any way tor H. Metcalf as secretary of the mindful of the interests of posterity." pavy.

FACTS IN FEW LINES

Denmark is the original home of the cream separator.

About 60 per cent of the gold prod-uct of the world is handled by Great

A man who once had fame as a chef has been picked up starving in New York city. Formic acid is coming into vogue in

Germany and England as a remedy for tuberculosis and kidney troubles. Turkey has more aged people

reportion to the population than any other European country. In England and Wales out of every

100,000 girls and boys 6,820 are called Mary and 6,590 William. The town of Amherst, Nova Scotia, is supplied with light and power from

the waste products of a nearby coal mine. Outside of the steerage there were 2.957,328 passengers carried in and out of New York harbor last year on

A Pittsburg firm is making a specialty of glass grave "stones" which show portraits of the deceased blown

in the front, Although glass bottles were made by the Romans as far back as the year 70 A. D., their manufacture was not egun in England until 1558.

The Mexican people are very fond of apples, peaches, pears and other northern fruits. They raise some in their uplands, but these are deficient in fine flavor.

Belgium is rich in stone and marble of various kinds. The general quarrying industry employs over 37,000 men, and its annual output exceeds \$12,000,-000 in value.

While the galkwar and maharanee of Kapurthala were driving in a motor car after nightfall through a forest near Glengariff a stag charged full

tilt at the car and was instantly killed. Among other things the human body contains carbons, calcium, phosphorus, sodium, sulphur, potassium, magnesium, iron, copper, lead and silicon,

solids. Charles Hauffman, a mail collector in St. Louis, found a new gold watch in a mail box with a note attached asking that it be sold and the money applied to charity, as the watch had

On the railway in Wales the brakeman has to announce such stations as Ffestiniog, Bettws-y-coed, Llandegai and Pemaenmawr. As in this country, tourists occasionally fail to understand what the man says.

For the last fourteen years a brood of tomtits has been reared each spring in the letter box at Uttoxter workbouse, Maine. Since the parent birds first took possession of the box they have batched nearly 200 eggs.

Parts of Oklahoma are being prospected, and mineral deposits in various districts show that gold, silver and copper are likely to be found in large quantities. Asphalt is also being found, and this latter mining is likely to be started immediately.

If the shah of Persia were to be deprived of his income he could still make sure of being one of the richest men in the world. He would only have to sell his ornaments, gems and precious stones to become possessed of about \$35,000,000, the sum at which the magnificent collection is valued.

The French ambassador at Washington writes to the London Athenaeum disputing the statement of Sidney Lee of Europe-Berlin and Padua-possess a copy of the Shakespeare first folio. Mr. Jusserand mentions a copy in the National library of Paris, of the authenticity of which he advances what appear to be convincing proofs.

Marie Heilbran of Chicago has invented a mechanical device which will throw thousands of her sex out of employment, a letter opener that will open 400 letters in a minute, or 10,000 in a day, the number that had to be epened at the house in which she formerly worked. Her machine is said to fairly gobble up the letters put into it. No girl can open more than thirty a minute by hand.

The Moscow correspondent of the Novosti says Mile. Trefiloff, a Russian actress, has been fined 10 rubles for kissing her mother on a street car. It appears that both in Moscow and St. Petersburg it is unlawful to give kisses in public, a kiss in the street being penalized by a fine of 7 rubles, 10 rubles being the fine inflicted on those who practice osculation in railway trains or in street cars. A recent enactment even renders persons who send declarations of love on post cards liable to a fine of 5 rubles.

France is not the only country with a falling birth rate. The Hon. J. A. Millar, the minister of labor in New Zealand, has been calling attention to the "staggering statistics" on this subject in that part of the empire. The New Zealand birth rate has fallen from forty-one per thousand in 1880 to twenty-seven last year. The reduction of the attendance at their schools is very noticeable. It is feared that New Zealand's industries instead of expanding will shrink and disappear if the population is not main tained.

This kind of paragraph is common in British newspapers: "A medal and £2 (\$10) have been awarded to Henry Jimes of Wellsbourne, Warwickshire, in recognition of upward of fifty years' service on the Walton estate of the Mordaunt family. Jimes, who is eighty-three and commenced work at the age of six, became connected with Walton estate under Sir Charles Mordaunt in 1852. For many years he kept a wife and two children on 8 shillings (\$2) a week. The veteran is still hale and hearty and often in-bors from daybreak to sunset."

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